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JP 2002-512717, with an English abstract, is approximately equal to JP-B2 2-7107, which is cited on page 1 of the present specification. JP 2002-512717 corresponds to International Published Application No. WO 98/57271, which is published in English. Applicant relies upon all of these resources for a statement of relevance for the reference cited in the specification.

The remaining references were cited in an International Search Report for the corresponding PCT application, dated April 26, 2005. Each Japanese reference has an

English abstract. JP 2000-29496 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,718,303, which is also submitted for the Examiner's convenience.

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